

REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Claims 13-25 were pending. Claim 15 has been amended. Claims 17-25 have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 26-31 have been added. Accordingly, claims 13-16 and 26-31 are currently pending.

No new matter has been added.

Restrictions Requirement

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed April 28, 2005, Applicants hereby elect without traverse Group 1, claims 13-16 and new claims 26-31, drawn to a method for differential diagnosis of autoimmune disease of the GSE-type or associated with gluten sensitive enteropathy.

CONCLUSION

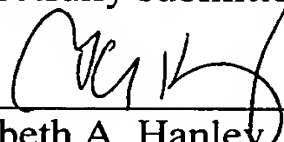
In view of the above amendment, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance.

If a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would help expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' attorney at (617) 227-7400.

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